

WILSON BROTHERS & CO.,  
Civil Engineers and Architects,  
435 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

*Philadelphia,* May 12, 1888 *1888*

Hon. Daniel M. Fox,  
Supt., U. S. Mint,  
Philadelphia.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find copy of letter  
from Mess. Wm. Sellers & Co., Incorporated,  
dated May the 10th, and copy of letter from us  
to Mess. Wm. Sellers & Co., Incorporated, dated  
May the 12th. The letters explain themselves  
without further comment.

Very respectfully,

*Wilson Brothers*

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Phila. Pa.

May 12. 1888.

Wilson Bros &amp; Co.

Enclose copies of letter  
from Wm. Sellers & Co.Recd  
May 12 1888.



(COPY)

WILLIAM SELLERS &amp; CO., Incorporated,

PHILADELPHIA, May 10, 1888.

Messrs. Wilson Bros. & Co.  
435 Chestnut St., Phila.

Dear Sirs:

In further acknowledgement of your favor of the 4th inst., and the communication of the 1st inst., from the Superintendent of the U. S. Mint, we have now to say, that for driving the draw benches previous to the alteration, the belt came up vertically from the floor below which would permit very considerable variation of alignment without affecting the running of the belt, the proposed arrangement required us to give a clear headway of at least 7 ft. 6 inches below the shafting, which was to drive the draw benches, which diminished the length of vertical belt at least that much, this was so large a percentage of the whole as to materially affect its capacity for driving out of line satisfactorily. The new work was arranged to carry belts 7 in. wide, which is the maximum limit of the pulleys on the machines, that is all we could be required to do under the contract, and when we have altered the carrying pulleys, to facilitate the shifting of the belts we conceive that we have complied with all the requirements of the contract, in other words, we cannot <sup>rightfully</sup> be required to make such a change as would be necessary to accommodate an increased width of belt.

Yours truly,

Wm. Sellers & Co., Incorporated,  
(Signed) Wm. Sellers President.



(COPY)

PHILADELPHIA, May 12th, 1888.

Mess. Wm. Sellers & Co., Incorporated,  
16th & Hamilton Sts.,  
Philadelphia.

Gentlemen:

Yours of May 10th has been received, a copy of  
which we have sent to Hon. Daniel M. Fox, Supt., U. S. Mint.

In answering your communication, we have nothing further to  
say in regard to the matter than has already been communicated.

Yours very respectfully,

(Signed) Wilson Bros. & Co.

[Letter One:]

[Abstract:] Encloses copies of letter from Wm. Sellers & Co.

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[Letter Two:]

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[Letter Three:]

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